

## ORDER IS EXPECTED BANISHING TRAILERS

Interstate Commerce Commission Will Probably Decide They Must Go.

## STRONG OPPOSITION IS ANTICIPATED

Claim of Infliction of Unjust Loss Likely to Be Made by Companies.

What is to become of the 200 odd trailers that are being operated on certain of the street railway lines in Washington?

This is a problem which has originated since the discussion of the tariff began, and which, on that account, has been shoved to the rear of public interest, so that the public has not busied itself trying to solve it.

But with the Interstate Commerce Commission it has been different. The commission originated it; the commission has to solve it, and, in all probability, the commission will solve it by September 1.

Indications are the commission will decide that the trailer must go.

### Expected to Oppose Order.

Among the recent orders and regulations issued by the commission for the operation of District electric railways was an order requiring all the companies operating trailers to submit to the commission by September 1 reasons, if any exist, why their further use should not be discontinued.

This, the companies have not yet done, but there is a pretty general opinion prevailing that they are preparing to flood the commission with an avalanche of reasons why the use of the trailer should not be discontinued before the time limit arrives.

When the orders and regulations were first issued, two of the companies began immediately a fight against them with respect to certain provisions relating to schedules. This fight has been but little more than a preliminary skirmish compared with what it is expected will follow.

The real fight will center in the proposed abolition of the trailer, and here is where the companies will make their principal stand.

### In Back Number Class.

Washington is about the only city of prominence in the United States that is using the trailer to any extent. Three local companies use them almost exclusively. They are the Capital Traction, Washington Railway and Electric, and Mt. Vernon companies.

The principal lines in Washington on which the trailers are used are Pennsylvania avenue, Fourteenth street, New Jersey avenue, Fourteenth street and F street. The discontinuance of their use would throw 250 cars on the hands of the companies, which would have to be sold, converted into new cars, or consigned to the scrap heap.

When the New Jersey avenue line was opened up shortly after the inauguration, the pay-as-you-enter type of car was installed on Fourteenth street. It is true that this type of car follows the use of the trailers on the Fourteenth street line, but the difference has been more made up on the New Jersey avenue line.

### Companies' Probable Claim.

As yet, the companies have manifested no disposition to discontinue using trailers, and there is no probability that they will. This makes it fairly certain that the commission's views on the trailer will not be enforced without strong opposition.

It is believed that, in answers to the commission's orders, the companies will maintain that the abolition of the trailer will inflict upon them an unjust loss, since the cars would be made useless and would have to be replaced.

On the other hand, it is believed the commission will maintain that the companies can convert two of their trailers into one first-class car, which will be sufficient to take care of the patronage that the trailers are now meeting. A feature that bears upon the question is the decision that has been reached to establish the trailer system in Philadelphia. Here, however, the cars are to be larger, each following a motor car, each is to be equipped with air brakes, and each is to have a separate conductor.

### May Effect Compromise.

There is a possibility that a compromise might be reached between the commission and the companies, whereby the latter would agree to operate its trailers on the principle of the Philadelphia trailers. Occasionally, the Capital Traction Company has employed separate conductors, and it is believed that it has never been required to do so by an order.

Secretary and Executive Officer Eddy, of the District Electric Railway Commission, the branch through which the Interstate Commerce Commission governs the local electric railways, has said that there are serious objections to the operation of trailers. These he classifies principally under the general head of danger to passengers, insisting that there are too many entrances and exits for one conductor to watch.

If, after the objections of the companies are heard, the commission decides to order the discontinuance of the trailers, it is believed, the companies will be given a year, or longer in which to gradually replace this type of car.

## OPEN-AIR SERVICES FOR THIS EVENING

Five Speakers Are Named for Preaching Arranged by Epworth League.

Open-air gospel services will be conducted this evening by five companies of the Epworth League of Hamline Methodist Episcopal Church, Ninth and P streets northwest. The stations and the speakers are as follows: Iowa Circle, W. H. Proctor in charge, W. B. Rochester speaker; Engine House, R street, between Ninth and Tenth streets northwest, B. L. Booram in charge, H. H. Moulton speaker; Rhode Island avenue, south of Washington street, W. A. Acorn in charge, C. E. Guthrie speaker; Sixth and O streets, J. G. Wilson in charge, William Moulton speaker; and Milton M. Thorne speaker, who will speak on "God's Pledge to Man."

### DIFFICULT DRIVING FEAT.

INTERLAKEN, Switzerland, July 25.—Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Palmer, of West Newton, Mass., have accomplished the feat of driving a four-horse team across the Glacier Pass, which is covered with deep snow.

## MAY SUCCEED TAKAHIRA



BARON UCHIDA.

## TAKAHIRA MAY BECOME PREMIER

Baron Uchida, Now in Germany, Will Succeed Diplomat Here, Is Rumor.

VIENNA, July 24.—It is rumored here that Baron Uchida, with the Japanese embassy here, will succeed Ambassador Takahira as the Japanese representative to Washington. Despite denials from London and Washington, it is understood here that when Ambassador Takahira returns to Japan this fall on a visit, he will be promoted to the premiership.

Baron Uchida formerly was attached to the Japanese legation in Washington and is familiar with American affairs.

**MRS. PATCH DIES;  
WAS ILL TWO DAYS**

Funeral Services for Widow of Noted Churchman Held Tomorrow.

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Walker Patch, widow of the Rev. George B. Patch, who was founder and former pastor of the Gunton-Temple Memorial Church, will be held tomorrow afternoon at the church of which her husband was formerly pastor. The Rev. J. L. Allison, pastor of the Gunton-Temple Memorial Church, will officiate. The pallbearers will be selected from among her friends, who are members of the Gunton-Temple Church. Mrs. Patch died yesterday at the residence of her nephew, Dr. O. Johnston, of N street, after an illness of only two days.

Mrs. Patch was born in Washington seventy years ago, and has been a life-long resident. She was identified with church work and was actively affiliated with many charitable organizations. She leaves no near relatives.

**PLEASURE PLANNED  
FOR EXCURSIONISTS**

The committee of arrangements for the Columbia Turnover excursion to Chesapeake Beach has completed all arrangements for tomorrow.

The program consists of swimming races, foot races, gymnastic events in the water. There will be bathing, bowling, sailing, fishing, dancing, crabbing, and scores of other amusements for the excursionists.

## RIVAL TO DICKY BIRDS NOW CHIRPS IN CAGE

Man Made Happy 'Cause Wife's Away Emulates Classical Faun, Guys Officer of the Law—Is Brought to Time After a Fanfest.

NEW YORK, July 25.—A voice uplifted in riotous song struck upon the ear of Policeman Crosby as he approached the Harlem river in Central Park. None save the little dicky birds may warble in the park at 6 a. m. and get away with it, so the sparrow cop hurried toward the lake.

There was something upon the brink of the more which sang and ran up and down and kicked like a ballet dancer, panicking now and then to bow low to the silent, dignified trees. It had two arms and two legs, and was as bare as a bass. Upon the head a flat-brimmed derby hat poised perilously. It was all of two minutes before the fact broke through Crosby's amazement that the joyful creature was a man.

"My wife's in the country—boring! boring!" sang the faun, and kicked his only garment, the flat-brimmed derby, into the lake. Then he saw the policeman and fled along the lake-side as untrammelled as Father Adam, reached a bit of water which appeared to please him and curved into it head first. When he popped up he was twenty feet from shore, in deep water, and he wiggled a finger at the outraged Crosby.

"You come out o' that!" roared the policeman.

"An' you would have me, good sir," called the swimmer airily, "you 'e'en must hook me."

"If you make me come in there the last day you live!" shouted Crosby, getting ready to peel off his coat. Come now, I won't monkey long.

"How did the Cubs and the Giants come out yesterday, flabby?" inquired the man in the lake. "I was took sick last Wednesday and I don't remember nothing."

"No game, wet grounds," said Crosby mechanically, then swore at himself. "I'm comin' in after you, yee rascal!"

"Rain!" said the swimmer. "Rain!" and began to cry. In twenty feet of water he wept copiously, wiping his eyes with the back of his hand.

Crosby made a dash toward the water. The swimmer saw it and began slowly to paddle landward. Melancholy had left him swiftly and he ofered to send the policeman a swimmer's salute by kicking the water with his bare feet scraped the sand.

"Shut up!" said Crosby. "Where are you clothes?"

"Ain't got none. Never wore none. I'm a fish."

The policeman removed his uniform coat and threw it over the swimmer's slippery catch, twined his police whistle and kept tight hold on the man until other policemen arrived and eventually a patrol wagon.

At the McGowan's Pass substation the prisoner said that he was John Carwell, an actor, and that his home was in Boston. They had found his clothes, which had been scattered half an acre among the trees near the mere and Mr. Carwell, still clinging cheerfully, put them on for the trip to the Harlem police court.

He couldn't tell Magistrate O'Connor where he had got a black eye or a bruise that swelled his right cheek. He couldn't remember much of anything to the point, so the Magistrate held him in \$500 bail for examination.

## ALEXANDRIA POLICE HOLDING WILLIAMS

Captured Man Wanted at Manassas, Va., for Alleged Theft.

## PUTTING IN WIRES FOR USE OF PRESS

Preparations for Official Flight of the Wright Aeroplane Are Being Made.

WASHINGTON TIMES BUREAU.  
ALEXANDRIA, VA., JULY 25.

A man giving his name as John Williams was arrested this morning at the Braddock House by Lieutenant Bettis and Policeman Nelson on suspicion of stealing clothing from H. C. Ryckman, at Manassas. He is held at police headquarters and the authorities of Manassas have been notified. They will come for him tomorrow.

Ryckman, a tailor of Manassas, reported to the police last week that a quantity of clothing, valued at from \$55 to \$70, had been stolen from his place of business, at that time he had no suspect that it had been brought to this city and sold. An investigation discovered the clothing at a second hand store in this city, and they were returned to Ryckman.

Earl Hayes was last evening arrested by Policemen Arrington and Nicholson charged with shooting a pistol in the street. According to witnesses Hayes was disorderly in North Lee street, and fired a pistol. He will be given a hearing in the police court tomorrow morning.

Second Serg. Pennygraft, of the police force of Durham, N. C., arrived in this city this morning. He will take back to Durham with him the colored man Furney Foster, who was arrested by Policemen Beach in this city yesterday. Foster, it is alleged, jumped his bail of \$300 while awaiting trial for selling liquor in a dry territory. Foster expressed himself as willing to go back with the officer. He will probably be taken to Durham this evening.

The condition of William T. Emerson, the superintendent of St. Paul's Union and Methodist Protestant cemetery, who is ill at his home in Del Ray, is improved today.

The funeral of Mrs. Ophelia Beach will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from Mt. Olivet Church at Ballston. The burial will be made in the cemetery at Ballston.

The funeral of Mrs. R. D. Catts will be held from her home, 1822 Duke street, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. W. F. Watson will conduct the funeral services.

At St. John's Chapel, in West End, this evening, the sermon will be delivered by Mr. Goodwin, a student at the Virginia Theological Seminary.

"Shall God Speak to Us?" was the subject of an interesting sermon delivered by the Rev. W. W. Watson at the First Baptist church this morning. This evening Mr. Watson will take for his subject, "Are We Fit to Live?"

Telegraph wires have been installed by Robert Lee Stultz, manager of the Western Union Telegraph company, in the clubhouse of Shooter's Hill, in the George Washington Park, for the use of the press when the official trials of the Wright aeroplane are held at this city. The wires will run from Fort Myer and encircle the clubhouse on Shooter's Hill in their official test.

The Rev. Mr. Wenchell will conduct services and preach at Immanuel Lutheran Church at 8 o'clock this evening.

Announcement has just been made of the marriage of Miss Eliza C. Simpson and David E. Baylis, both of this city. The ceremony was performed in Baltimore last Friday.

The Rev. J. R. Sevier, accompanied by his wife and daughter, will leave Alexandria for Norfolk, Mass., next week to attend the General Conference of the Christian Workers. During his absence from the city, the pulpit of the Second Presbyterian Church will be occupied by the Rev. J. M. Halladay, of Winsboro, N. C.

## INQUEST TOMORROW OVER CAR VICTIM

No Clue But Initials "J. C." on Fob of Man Killed on Georgia Avenue.

Coroner Nevitt will hold an inquest at the District morgue tomorrow morning over the body of an unidentified white man, apparently about forty years old, who was killed by a Georgia avenue car near the intersection of Farragut street last night.

The initials "J. C.," engraved on a small fob attached to a plated watch and chain is the only clue the police have. Written on a piece of paper inside the watch were the words, "D—your curiosity."

The car was traveling north, and was filled with passengers on the way home after the day's work. It was made at the Columbia Golf Club to let off a passenger.

Apparently the man did not see the approaching car or else thought he had time to cross in front of it. He stepped from the southbound tracks and was about to pass the north-bound tracks when the fender struck him.

The man was thrown under the rear wheels, and his left arm and leg severed from the body. Coroner Nevitt ordered that Motorman John H. Patton and Conductor Loyal H. Peyton be paroled in the custody of the Georgia avenue car company to be present at the inquest tomorrow.

### OPPOSES EXTRADITION.

LONDON, July 25.—The hearing of the case of Mrs. Eleanor Beattie, who is wanted in New York on the charge of grand larceny made by a New York jewelry house, and who has decided to oppose extradition, has been adjourned until July 31.

### AMERICAN GRADUATED.

GENEVA, Switzerland, July 25.—W. Fish Marsteller, stepson of Brutus J. Clay, the American minister to Switzerland, is the first American to be graduated from the Geneva University. He took a course in French.

## PULPIT TOPICS FOR TONIGHT IN CHURCHES OF WASHINGTON

The Convent Tent, Sixteenth and Monroe streets—Address on "The One Essential of Christianity," by the Rev. James M. Henry, pastor of Peck Memorial Chapel, at 8 p. m.

Cathedral Grounds—Sermon by the Rev. Charles C. Pierce, rector of St. Matthew's Church, Philadelphia, Pa., at 4 p. m.

St. Mark's Church—Sermon by rector at 8 p. m.

St. James Church—Sermon by rector at 7:45 p. m.

Temple Baptist Church—Sermon by the Rev. O. W. H. Millington, at 7:45 p. m.

Foundry M. E. Church—Sermon by the Rev. C. E. Wise at 8 p. m.

Hamline M. E. Church—Addresses at 7 p. m. at the following places: Iowa Circle, engine house, R street between Ninth and Tenth streets; Sixth and R streets; Sixth and O streets, and 1146 Bladensburg road.

## RIFLE TEAMS READY FOR SUMMER SHOOT

Contests of the New England Association Will Begin Tomorrow.

WAKEFIELD, Mass., July 25.—Representatives of over a dozen States are in camp today here at the range of the New England Military Rifle Association, preparing for the work of tomorrow, when will begin the contests of the fifth annual meeting of the association.

With the men of the militia and National Guard are rifle teams representing the United States navy and midshipmen of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and over 100 men of the United States Marine Corps who have been at the range for some weeks making their annual qualification scores.

For the first time since the organization of the association, individuals and teams from outside the New England States can compete. For the first time also governors from three of the New England States are expected to lend the influence of their presence to the end of getting a higher standard of marksmanship from the soldiery.

## MESSANGER FINDS DIAMOND BROOCH

Lad Returns Lost Jewel to Owner—Gets \$25 Reward.

NEWPORT, R. I., July 25.—Robert Welsh, telegraph messenger, is the happiest boy in Newport today and Miss Ruth Twombly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. McK. Twombly, is the happiest young woman in Newport, for her diamond heart brooch is again in her possession after losing it on Bellevue avenue.

While delivering a message along Bellevue avenue and when in front of Elm court, the residence of Frank Work, the glitter of the diamonds attracted Welsh's attention. The jewel was soon in his possession. He was the first to attend the General Conference of the Christian Workers. During his absence from the city, the pulpit of the Second Presbyterian Church will be occupied by the Rev. J. M. Halladay, of Winsboro, N. C.

### KILLS HER HUSBAND.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 25.—Dr. R. A. M. Collins, a prominent physician, was shot and killed by his wife today. The act is attributed to jealousy.

## DECLARES CONGRESS MEMBERS IN FIGHT

J. F. Harms, Former Meat Inspector, Still Working to Substantiate His Charges of Fraudulent Methods of Packing Houses.

TOLEDO, Ohio, July 25.—That he has the promise of several members of Congress to investigate the alleged fraudulent methods of meat inspecting, is the statement made today by J. F. Harms, former Fremont, Ohio, meat inspector, who, in a letter to Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, made sensational charges against the Government agents.

With reference to the investigation by the Government, he said:

"The abuses were so palpable I do not see how the investigators could have done otherwise than cause their eyes to the facts. It has been stated to me by former inspectors that the conditions are equally bad at all of the big meat centers as the one where the investigation centered."

The motive back of my activities in obtaining the maintenance of the Department of Animal Industry, under which the meat inspectors work, is to see that the meat is safe and that the people will use their efforts to bring it about."

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## RIOTING EXPECTED; DEPUTIES SWORN IN

Tin Manufacturers Who Declared Open Shop Fear Attack Today.

TOLEDO, Ohio, July 25.—Fearing strike riots seventeen deputy sheriffs were sworn in for duty this morning in East Youngstown and Struthers.

The request for these officials was made by the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company, and the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company, both of which concerns have declared for the "open shop" in this district.

The companies fear the strikers will make an attack on their plants today. The Struthers plant has been running in part with strike breakers for several days, but no disturbances have occurred. The sheet and tube company will try to operate its sheet department with strike breakers tomorrow, it is said.

The company selected the deputies, and they will be used about the mill property.

## REWARD IS OFFERED FOR NEWS OF BODY

Mrs. Hartman Sure Drowned Son Has Been Washed Ashore.

Still confident that the body of her son, Alfred Hartman, which was knocked overboard from a launch after being struck by lightning, has been washed ashore, and found by fishermen, Mrs. Emma Hartman, of 128 Ninth street, this city, has offered a reward of \$25 for information leading to the discovery of the body.

Following the publication in the Times last Monday of Mrs. Hartman's nervous breakdown, brought on by the shock of her son's tragic death, and her desire to secure his body, Mrs. Hartman has received a letter from a reader of the Times, who lives below Colonial Beach, where the accident happened, informing her that he has not heard of the body being found anywhere along the beach.

Information leading to the discovery of the body will be received at the Times, and turned over to Mrs. Hartman. The reward may be collected through the Times' office.

## CRAWFISH THREATEN CITY WATER SUPPLY

Bore Into the Dam and Permit Reservoir to Drain Low.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., July 25.—The Logansport water supply is threatened by millions of crawfish in Eel river. The water is drawn from the river, a fifteen foot dam holding the supply in reserve. Lately and reserve has fallen so low as to be alarming. The cause of the loss was found to be due to the fact that the crawfish bore small holes in the dam beneath the mudsill, and through these the water is rapidly pouring.

### REDUCES SENTENCE.

FARIS, July 25.—Upon an appeal for a rehearing of the court of appeals reduced the sentence of Jean Mattis, the Paris waiter who last Christmas attacked President Fallieres, and tried to pull his beard, to three years' imprisonment, followed by five years' banishment from the boundaries of Paris.

His original sentence was four years' imprisonment and five years' banishment.

## BROTHERS' HAPPY MEETING.

PHILLIPSBURG, N. J., July 25.—James Peterson, a hotel proprietor in Minnesota, has arrived here to visit his brother, Charles Peterson, whom he had not seen in thirty years. The brothers each supposed the other dead. They learned of each other's whereabouts through correspondence between friends who incidentally mentioned their names.

### TO HONOR HOYT'S MEMORY.

CHARLESTOWN, N. H., July 25.—Many actors and actresses will come here tomorrow to honor the memory of Charles H. Hoyt. He was born in Concord, July 25, 1833, and each year, when the anniversary of his birth arrives, many who have gained fame and fortune in the Hott plays make a flying trip to Charlestown, where he is buried, to pay tribute to the dead genius and bide his tomb.

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